

PSTA Academic Building Complex -- No. 479909

Category **Public Safety**
Agency **Police**
Planning Area **Countywide**
Relocation Impact **None**

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Required Adequate Public Facility

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7-30(04 App)
NO

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY04	Remain. FY04	Total 6 Years	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	2,587	386	1,328	873	233	231	231	128	50	0	0
Land											
Site Improvements and Utilities	1,263	0	221	1,042	385	514	143	0	0	0	0
Construction	16,385	0	1,407	14,978	2,444	2,640	3,268	1,923	4,703	0	0
Other	794	0	0	794	132	397	265	0	0	0	0
Total	21,029	386	2,956	17,687	3,194	3,782	3,907	2,051	4,753	0	0

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

G.O. Bonds	21,029	386	2,956	17,687	3,194	3,782	3,907	2,051	4,753	0	0
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ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

Maintenance				124	0	0	0	0	0	124	0
Energy				61	0	0	0	0	0	61	0
Net Impact				185	0	0	0	0	0	185	0

DESCRIPTION

This project provides for a major renovation and expansion of the Public Safety Training Academy (PSTA), the primary training facility for the Department of Police, Fire and Rescue Service (including the site for the future Travilah Fire Station), and the Department of Correction and Rehabilitation. The project will involve renovations to, and expansion of, the Academic Building Complex (ABC) and enhancements including a helipad and renovation of the gym and indoor firing range. ABC expansion areas will contain general classrooms, indoor fire skills training, and consolidated office space. Existing space will be renovated and reconfigured to provide general and technical classrooms (such as EMT paramedic, computer, and firearms), a simunitions area, a student study center, and expansion and upgrade of the physical training area and locker rooms. A portion of the basement will be renovated as unprogrammed space that will provide a future capability for graphics production, and video development and broadcast. A new canine support facility of 1,350 gross square feet will be developed adjacent to the existing Emergency Vehicle Operations Center (EVOC) facility and driving course. The project also includes design and construction of a public safety memorial in coordination with the Public Arts Trust and a memorial site is reserved on the PSTA site. Project appropriation includes \$100,000 that is reserved exclusively for the public safety memorial. Other site considerations include stormwater management, developing a centralized reception/security access for the PSTA, providing overall security for the site, and increased parking. The project also includes improvements to the lighting, mechanical systems, and building envelope to meet Executive Regulation 68-91 AM, Building Design Standards. Subsequent phases, not included in the project at this time, will include replacement and expansion of the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service outdoor fire training props, including the burn building. The Multi-Agency Driver Training Facility project is included under the General Government section.

JUSTIFICATION

There have been no major upgrades or renovations to the PSTA since it was completed in 1973. Since its completion, the training needs of the user agencies have changed significantly. As a result, the PSTA is in need of reconfiguration, expansion to meet current and projected training needs. Although some non-public safety agencies and citizens may use this facility for training, public safety agency training is its primary function. Since the POR was completed for the PSTA academic complex project, a number of events have taken place that demonstrated the need for first responders to be better prepared for such events. The helipad allows for one of the most versatile transport vehicles to work from the PSTA. The indoor firing range, including its target mechanism, requires modernization because it has not been upgraded for 30 years. The gym renovation is needed because its use has changed over the past 30 years with a greater number of public safety personnel and more defined fitness requirements.

Plans and Studies

Planning funds from the projects Facility Planning: Police and Facility Planning: Fire and Rescue have been used to develop needs assessment studies, the associated Program of Requirements, and cost estimates. Pedestrian Safety is being considered during design.

Cost Change

Defer expenditures from FY05 and FY06 to FY09; does not affect project completion.

STATUS

Design for the ABC will be completed in FY04 and construction will begin in FY05. Design for the training enhancements will start in FY05.

OTHER

In FY99, the Council requested that the County Executive examine whether additional land near the PSTA should be acquired to ensure that the PSTA will remain the long-term site for public safety training in Montgomery County. The County Executive concluded, with support from M-NCPPC, that there is sufficient buffering to adjacent property and that the PSTA Master Plan indicates the current site adequately supports future needs for public safety training.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA

Date First Appropriation	FY99	(\$000)
Initial Cost Estimate		10,608
First Cost Estimate Current Scope	FY05	21,029
Last FY's Cost Estimate		21,029
Present Cost Estimate		21,029
Appropriation Request	FY06	3,898
Supplemental Appropriation Request	FY05	0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		16,594
Expenditures/Encumbrances		1,213
Unencumbered Balance		15,381
Partial Closeout Thru	FY03	0
New Partial Closeout	FY04	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

COORDINATION

Department of Correction and Rehabilitation
Fire and Rescue Service
Police Department
Department of Public Works and Transportation,
Division of Capital Development
Office of Management and Budget
M-NCPPC
Multi-Agency Driver Training Facility

Special Capital Improvements Project Legislation was enacted by Council on April 21, 1998 (Bill No. 5-98), and reauthorized on May 14, 2003 (Bill 6-03).

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